

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

In a magnetic tape device, a recessed groove 41 protruding from a moving table. A press spring 16 engaged with the lever 8 is pressed against the rod 5. The table is slightly pushed-in in a backward motion b direction by inserting a tape cassette to the table which is on standby at a cassette inserting position. When the pushing is detected and a driving source is activated, the lever 8 is swung backward (d), whereby the moving table is moved backward (b) via the rod 5 to a cassette placing position.

A cam 42 is formed in the groove 41, and when the moving table is pushed-in from the cassette inserting position in the backward motion b direction, the rod 5 is transferred onto the cam 42 to increase the pressing force of the spring 16.